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REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed November 3, 2005, the Examiner allowed claims 1-11 and objected to claims 16-18. Claim 16 is rewritten in independent form, and claims 17 and 18 depend therefrom. These claims are now allowed.

Claims 12-15 were rejected under 35 USC Section 103 as being unpatentable over Rinne et al. in view of Norstedt. In view of the following comments, the Examiner's rejection is respectfully traversed, and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Rinne discloses binding a "flow" to a quality of service identified in a PDP context, but does not teach connecting the flow and/or control of the flow to the radio layers on an individual basis. Binding a flow to a quality of service involves the network allocating resources to a particular flow, and thus Rinne does not anticipate or suggest discretely controlling transmission of the data flow from the radio network controller to a plurality of applications associated with an interface according to claim 12.

The secondary reference to Norstedt contemplates controlling the flow to individual interfaces. However, Norstedt neither shows nor suggests discretely controlling the flow to individual applications of an interface as defined in claim 12. Accordingly, even if combined as suggested only by the Examiner, the combination fails to show or suggest the invention of claim 12.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the claims clearly define the applicants' invention and are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is solicited.

Respectfully Submitted

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